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OREGON RESIDENT PUTS ACADEMICS TO WORK IN MONTANA

MISSOULA, Mont. --

Portland resident Erin McKeirnan, a senior at The University of Montana-Missoula, participated in a fall-semester internship program offered through UM's Center for Work-Based Learning.

The center provides opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to integrate academic theories and principles with practical job experience related to their chosen fields.

McKeirnan, a communications major, worked for the re-election campaign of U.S. Sen. Max Baucus of Montana. She is a 1999 graduate of Beaverton High School in **Beaverton, Ore.** Her parents are Virginia and Richard McKeirnan of **Pomeroy, Wash.**

UM's Center for Work-Based Learning serves about 2,000 students each year, placing them in internships throughout Montana, the United States and overseas in more than 35 fields of employment. For more information, visit the center's Web site at www.umt.edu/internships.

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